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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Headquarters, 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and Fort Carson, Office of the Commanding General, (ATTN: Division G-1, LTC Lever), Fort Carson, Colorado 80913

SUBJECT: Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Policy Waiver - See attached listing

- 1. The Soldiers on the attached listing are approved to continue to receive BAH based on their families' designated locations for up to 90 days following their completion of inprocessing to Fort Carson, CO.
- 2. As a result of official restationing directives, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division was recently realigned and restationed from Korea to Fort Carson, CO. Unlike common permanent change of station (PCS) reassignments the Soldier's assigned to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat Team (BCT) will report directly to Fort Carson, CO from Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) area of responsibility; therefore, will not be afforded the opportunity to take leave enroute to accompany family members to the new duty station (Ft Carson).
- 3. The intent of this BAH waiver is to allow the Soldiers time to move their families to Fort Carson without being financially disadvantaged. The authority for this waiver is the fiscal year 2001 National Defense Authorization Act which allows the service Secretaries to approve BAH waivers when duty at the member's permanent duty station (PDS) location or circumstances of assignment to the PDS require the member's dependents to reside separately from the member.
- 4. The Soldiers' BAH rates must be changed to Fort Carson's rates effective the day the families arrive on station to Fort Carson, or no later than 90 days after the start of block leave. This waiver authority applies to the Soldiers on the attached listing only, and expires 90 days from the start date of the block leave period whether or not they move their families to Fort Carson.
- 5. The Command will submit a report to this office upon expiration of this BAH waiver. The report will confirm final status of BAH entitlement of all Soldiers on the attached listing. Report is due no later than 31 Dec 2005. Recommend close coordination with Fort Carson Defense Military Pay Office (DMPO) to ensure Soldiers receive the correct BAH rate.
- 6. Point of contact for this memorandum is LTC Jacqualine Arnold, DSN 222-5946.

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